

**CLAIM AMENDMENTS**

1. (Currently Amended) An energy-absorbing barrier system, comprising:
  - a plurality of spaced-apart vertical metal pipes, each buried below a ground surface, leaving a portion exposed above ground;
  - two or more spaced-apart horizontal metal pipes interconnected to the vertical metal pipes creating at least one infill area;
  - a material spanning the infill area which is operative to absorb at least a portion of the impact of an explosive blast;
  - the material spanning the infill area being fastened to the horizontal or vertical pipes with mounts that break away upon a predetermined force; and
  - wherein the material spanning the infill area is tethered to one or more of the horizontal or vertical pipes to keep the material from uncontrolled travel upon impact.
2. (Original) The energy-absorbing barrier system of claim 1, wherein one or more of the pipes are filled with cement.
3. (Original) The energy-absorbing barrier system of claim 1, wherein the metal pipes are steel.
4. (Original) The energy-absorbing barrier system of claim 1, further including a plastic cover over one or more of the pipes.